

Such is the verdict of the very large number that came to the store yesterday-the first day of

Formal Spring Opening!

TO-DAY the opening will be at its BEST, for a number of late comers will make their initial appearance, giving a renewed interest to the exhibit.

"Not to attend the style show at Miller & Rhoads is to miss the real fashion event of the season," said an enthusiastic admirer of some pretty spring frocks in our Garment Salon vesterday.

The new Tailored Suits, the Dresses, the Wraps, the Millinery, the Waists and Skirts, the Dress Goods and Silks, the Trimmings and Accessories, the Fancy Articles -there are so many beautiful creations-both from home and abroad -that to tell of them all would be quite out of the question.

You must see the exhibit entirely to fully realize how attractive it really is.

As has always been the case, there is an air of refinement and exclusiveness about Miller & Rhoads merchandise that at once appeals to those women who value individuality in dress.

Miller & Rhoads

IDENTIFY HOWELL ROBBERY CHARGE AS HIGHWAYMAN

Two Women Pick Negro Out of Lumsden Firm Sends for Officer Several Prisoners as Man Who Robbed Them. Check Cashed.



AGAINST DALEY to Arrest Buyer Who Wanted

Who Robbed Them.

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Blaze at Locomotive Works.

Fire in the roof of the forging shop at the plant of the American Locomotive Campany, at the foot of Seventh Street, believed to have been caused by flying sparks, did several hundred dellars damage has might at it eclock. An alarm, which was sounded from the private box at the plant, brought three engine companies and one truck, in charge of Assistant Chief Wise. Though it was necessary to use only two streams, the blaze was stubborn, and was not extinguished for nearly an hour.

Her Condition Satisfactory,
as condition of Miss Pattis Miller, of
silington, W. Va., a guest at the home
Judge W. A. Monoure, of 7 West Grace
set, who was hurt in an automobile acset, who was hurt in an automobile acset, near 4-shland on Sunday, was last
it reported to be satisfactory. She is at
Ellizabeth's Hospital. Her injuries conprincipally of bruises and sprains, and
sas said that she would probably be able
the out in a few days.

Comes for Alleged Murderer,
officer Hansbury, of Norfolk, yesterday
me for John Winston, colored, who was
rested in South Richmend by Detectiveresents Krengel and Atkinson at the reliest of the Norfolk authorities, who want
im for a murder committed in that city
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lution Directing Board to Proceed With Work.

Allowance of 600,000 Cubic Feet a Quarter.

The Common Council in special session last night unanimously concurred in the joint resolution directing the the improvement of Shockoe Creek on land at present owned by the city. The act removes the technical disability

and at present owned by the city. The act removes the technical disability which has tied the hands of the board and held up the improvement.

In specific terms the resolution directs the Administrative Board to proceed with the work of improving Shockoe Creek and Bacon Quarter Branch on such lands through which these streams flow as are now owned by the city, particularly that portion of the proposed improvement west of Sledd Street and extending to the eastern terminus of the present improved channel, through land recently acquired from the T. C. Williams estate.

The passage of the joint resolution will enable the Administrative Board to proceed at once with the work, funds having already been provided by bond issue. A resolution involving the condemnation of privately-owned property for the contemplated improvement of the whole length of the Shockoe Creek sewer is still pending.

To Light Armory.

The Council by a unanimous vote suspended the rules and concurred in the joint resolution appropriating \$6,900 for lighting and additional equipment at the First Regiment Armory. Upon the motion of Subchairman E. R. Fuller, of the Finance Committee, it approved the ordinance relating to a change in the form of the recent bond issue making the bonds payable in New York.

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In the absence of President R. L. Peters and Vice-President Morgan R. Mills, Councilman Gilbert K. Pellock was chosen temporary chairman and presided over the meeting. Fourteen members were in attendance.

Immediately upon the adjournment of the Common Council the Committees on Finance and Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities convened for the consideration of several important pending ordinances and resolutions. A large delegation of citizens waited on the Finance Committee to urge the public library and free dental clinic projects.

Free Water for Y. M. C. A.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities voted at the end of a lengthy hearing to recommend favorably a substitute ordinance allowing the Young Men's Christian Association gratis 660,000 cubin feet of water a quarter. The association, which asked for an allowance of 655,000 cubic feet, was represented by John E. Minor, a member of the board of directors. The excess over the 600,000 feet to be supplied free, the ordinance provides, is to be charged for at the regular meter rates.

An ordinance was reported granting to Lee Camp Soldiers Home free water to supply a fountain recently erected on the grounds of the institution. After a consultation with Superintendent Davis, of the Water Works, the committee voted to recommend a free allowance of 1,500 gallons a day, the excess, if any, to be charged for at the regular rates.

President B. C. Wherry, of the Hollywood Cemetery Company, submitted on behalf of his company an offer of \$35,000 for the Clark Spring property, which it is proposed to transfer to the cemetery. The tract contains thirty-three and two-thirds acres. The company's proposition was laid on the table for further consideration.

The resolution appropriating \$1,119 for the purchase by the city from the Virginia Railway and Power Company of 271 electric light poles for some time used exclusively by the city, was sent back to the Committee

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MAKES CHARGE AND REFUSES TO SIGN ON CITY PROPERTY FAILS TO PROVE IT

Common Council Approves Reso- Corporation Commission Throws Out McAllister Complaint Against Button.

The Times Dispatch

Company, for Which Receiver May Be Named.

State Insurance Commissioner Joseph Button, against whom charges of negligence in office were made last week in connection with the Appalalachian Insurance Company, of Bristol, was completely exenerated vesterday, after appearing before the State Corporation Commission. The commissioner was accused of having allowed the Appalachian Insurance Company to the Appalachian Insurance Company to exaggerate its assets and permitting it to operate in Virginia when it had been refused a license in the District of Columbia.

The State Corporation Commission addressed the following letter to A. M. McAllister, of Washington, who filed the voluminous charges in behalf of two stockholders of the Appalachian Company, Robert Pluyme and S. Sherman:

"Your letter of March 11 to the Governor of Virgnia, together with the accompanying documents, were by the foreernor referred to this commission, the Insurance Bureau being a bureau of this department. In response to the request of the commission the Insurance Insurance Insurance Insurance Insurance Insurance Insurance Insuranc Administrative Board to proceed with week in connection with the Appa-

plaint, and, with the facts now before us, we do not think it needs any further attention from this commission."

19, at Bristol, which I shall attend, in order to lay before them the report of the examiners. As at present advised I shall probably refuse to relicense them on May 1 and will, very probably, within the next week, apply for a receiver to reinsure its outstanding business and to liquidate its afform?

well, prelate: S. J. Lambeth, warden: George H. Taylor, guard; trustees, J. W. Thurston, William Warren and Osear Mason: committee on new business. S. J. Lambeth, J. H. Warren and Captain Charles Leton: committee on applications, J. W. Quarles, E. J. Jones and G. H. Taylor, The third Wednesday of each month was selected as the regular meeting night.

Negro Shot in Abdomen.

Robert Dean, colored, almeteen years old, was dangerously wounded yesterday afterneon when he was shot in the abdomen with a rifle while struggling to get possession of it from Lesie Drew, a thirteen-year-old negro. The box was arressed by Bleycle Policeman Gerring on the charge of felonious assault. Dean was treated by Dr. A. I. Weinstein, ambulance surgeon, and removed to the City Hospital, where it was said that his condition was serious. The shooting took place at Canai and Jefferson Streets.

Commission to Meet.

The commission appointed by the judge of the Hustings Court to assess the damages to properly owners caused by the opening of portions of Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, T and S Streets has been called to meet on the ground at Thirty-first and S Streets at 4 o'clock to-morrow atternoon, at which time the commission expects to make an inspection of the land and buildings necessary to be acquired by the city for improvements.

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Governor Lets Rolling Stock Measure Become Law Without His Approval.

FREE WATER FOR Y. M. C. A. NEGLIGENCE WAS ALLEGED NOT QUITE FAIR TO CITIES

General Plan for Tax Revision Next Year.

and Ethel Hope Fro-

Negro Who Shot Edward Kelly Had Applied for New Trial, Which Was Denied Him.

STATE'S ARBOR DAY

Governor Issues Proclamation Goes to Bristol as Delegate From Calling On People to Observe It.

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Supreme Court Proceedings,
No. 35 Whittle vs. Davie. Argued by William B. McIlwaine for appellant and Edward
R. Turnbull and R. B. Davis for appellec, R. Turnbull and R. B. Davis for appellee, and submitted.

Nos. 99 and 91—Lake et als. vs. Kope, committee, et als. Argued by S. Gordon Cumining and C. V. Mercelith for appellants and Judge S. J. Dudley and R. M. Lett for appellees, and submitted.

No. 33—Royd vs. Boyd. Partly argued and continued until to-day.

Cases in call: No. 52, Chesapeake and Ohio Rallway Company vs. Parker's administrator; No. 79, Parrish vs. Parrish et als.; No. 86, Robinson vs. Marsh et als.

REPORTS JEWELRY STOLEN

Articles Valued at More Than \$150
Taken from Leary's Apartments.

Jewelry, valued at more than \$150, was stolen from the apartment of Thomas H. Leary, of \$16 Park Avenue, within the past week, according to a report made last night to the police. week, according to a report made last night to the police.

Mr. Leary, who is special agent of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, told Bleycle Policeman Reid that Mrs. Leary had been away for a week and had left the jewlery in a small silver box. She returned home yesterday, and when she looked for the box It was missing. The theft is believed to have been committed by a sneak thirs.

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GOVERNOR VETOES CITIZENS URGE EXEMPTION BILL

As a Result, Franklin County Approve Purchase of Jeter Me-May Be Forced to Operate Unprofitable Railway Line.

when Governor Stuart sent House bill 450 back to the General Assembly yesterday with his veto he complicated the embarrassing situation in which the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County finds itself in regard to the Franklin and Pittsylvania Railway. This bill, which passed both houses, allowed the supervisors to exempt the stock of the Franklin and Pittsylvania Railway. This bill, which passed both houses, allowed the supervisors to exempt the stock of the Franklin and Pittsylvania Railway from taxation. Governor Stuart vetoed it on the ndvice of Attorney. General Pollard, who declared it in direct conflict with the Constitution.

As a result of the veto there is a possibility that Franklin County may have to take over the Franklin and Pittsylvania Railway next month and operate it, thus giving the first practical demonstration of government ownership of railways in the United States.

The line, which runs from Franklin Junction to Mount Airy, is owned out.

this reply of the Commissione of Insurance is a sufficient reply to the complaint, and, with the facts now before us, we do not think it needs any further attention from this commission."

To Ask Receivership.
Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In conclusion, Colonel Button's reply covered several typewritten pages and disposed of each charge by documentary evidence. In provides that the value of the chief office of the railway is the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway is the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway is the chief office of the railway of the sale with the chief office of the railway is the chief of the railway of the sale with the chief office

eral Assembly passed the bill exempt-ing the stock from taxation. It is said that the failure of the exemption clause that the failure of the exemption clause to be enacted may defeat the plan for the sale of the stock. In that case, the county will have to operate the line or abandon property valued at \$400,000.

DUKES GOES TO PRISON

The Virginia Debt Commission met yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the Jefferson
Hotel to receive from Attoriey-General Pollard the formal notice that West Virginia
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Russell County to Help Pick Democratic Nominee.

thing more than the love feast it was expected to prove. As learned here, the plan of the district leaders is to urge Mr. Irvine as the nominec. Despite his expressed wish to retire, it is confidently expected that Con-gressman Slemp will again be the Re-publican candidate.



Utilities Committee Recommends Related to Appalachian Insurance Also Likely to Interfere With

Incorporated 1865.

Assets, - - - \$55,726,347.32

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

morial Hall on Richmond College Campus.

TO LAY CORNER-STONE

costs yesterday morning in Police Court for carrying a concealed weapon, a revolver, Charles Holt, arrested on Monday on the charge of stealing 56 from Mrs. Rosa Hill, was dismissed. Taylor Tinsley, colored, was sent to jail for ninety days for stealing butter from the Rennie Dalry Company.

Admit Will to Probate.
The will of Elijah Clark was admitted to probate yesterday in Henrico County Creuit Court. The estate is valued at \$3,100.

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